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APPELLATE TRIBUNAL FOR ARMED FORCES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to create a n Armed Forces Appellate Tribunal for prompt disposal of cases challenging decisions of Court Martials;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have examined 169th Report of the Law Commission in this regard; and

(d) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken on its main recommendations?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Finalisation of modalities of the proposed Tribunal are currently underway.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Recommendations of the Law Commission have been examined by the Government and the Government have agreed in principle to set up an Armed Forces Tribunal for hearing of appeals against the orders of Court Martials and for adjudication of service matters of Armed Forces personnel.